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Rome, Febr. 5. *N. S.*

THE Pope has ordered the greateſt part of his Forces to the Province of *Ferrara*, and that the new Levies be made with all poſſible diligence. The Imperial Ambaſſador received on the firſt Inſtant a Courier from *Vienna*, and the next day had an Audience of the Pope, and demanded in the Emperor's Name the Inveſtiture of the Kingdoms of *Naples* and *Sicily*; adding, That he has Orders to proteſt againſt the Pope's Proceedings, if he gives the ſame to any other Prince. The Emperor has made Cardinal *Grimani* Protector of the Affairs of the Empire and *Hungary*, in the room of Cardinal *Medicis*, with whom he is diſſatisfied on account of his being preſent at the Publick Entertainment given by the *Spaniſh* Ambaſſador upon the occaſion of the new King of *Spain*'s Birth-day. The *Spaniſh* Ambaſſador has received a Credential Letter from the Moſt Chriſtian King to the Pope, with Orders to act at this Court as Ambaſſador from *France*, till ſuch time as a Miniſter arrives from thence. 'Tis ſaid, the Pope has obtained of the Moſt Chriſtian King, to reſtore Cardinal *de Bouillon* to his Favour, who is to go to one of his Abbeys in *France*, to ſhew his readineſs to comply with the King's Commands; after which he will have liberty to return hither. The Pope has reſolved to finiſh all the publick Buildings begun by his Predeceſſor, and has given particular Orders for continuing the Works at Port *Anzo*. Corn and other Proviſions grow very ſcarce in this City, which being repreſented to the Pope, he has appointed a Congregation, whereof Cardinal *Mareſcotti* is Chief, to conſider how this Inconveniency may be remedied.

Milan, Febr. 3. The Prince of *Vaudemont*, and the *French* General the Count *de Teſſe*, are gone to *Aleſſandria* to review the Forces which came laſt from *France*, amounting to 8500 Men. Quarters are provided for them at *Cremona*, and other Places, and as ſoon as they have refreſhed themſelves, they are to form a Camp. The Council of State and the Magiſtrates of this City have conſented, That not only Quarters, but Bedding alſo, ſhall be provided for the *French* Soldiers, but withal have made a Proteſtation, that this ſhall not be brought into Precedent for the future. Publick Notice is given, that this Government is ready to receive the Propoſals of any Perſons, that will undertake to furniſh Horſes for the Service of the Artillery, *&c.* And Orders are given for raiſing Soldiers, and buying up Horſes, to recruit the Cavalry. 'Tis ſaid, an Order will ſhortly be publiſhed, to call home all the Subjects of this State that are in the Service of any Foreign Prince, which is done chiefly to oblige the Sieurs, *Archinto*, *Cuſano*, *Viſconti*, and others, who have conſiderable Employments in the Emperor's Army, to quit that Service.

Genoua, Febr. 7. Several Tranſport Ships with *French* Soldiers arrived 3 days ago at *Vado*, where they preſently landed 900 Men, but the Governor of that Place would not permit a greater number to come aſhore without Orders from this Senate, which, upon the Repreſentation of the *French* Envoy, were not only diſpatched to the Governor, but he was likewiſe directed to give them his Aſſiſtance in providing them with what they ſhall have occaſion for; And like Orders are ſent to the Governor of *Savona*. The *French* have publiſhed an Order, to prevent their Soldiers from deſerting, promiſing a Recompence to ſuch of the Country People as ſhall be aſſiſting therein, and have accordingly rewarded thoſe who brought back ſome Deſerters. An Expreſs is arrived here from *Madrid*, with Bills of Exchange for the Service of the State of *Milan*, whither 3 *Spaniſh* Regiments of Foot, and one of Horſe, are ordered from *Catalonia*. They write from *Antibes*, that 40 Tranſport Ships with *French* Soldiers, deſigned for the *Milaneze*, lay ready to ſail from thence for this Coaſt with the firſt fair wind.

Venice, Febr. 11. The Cardinal *d'Eſtrees* has, ſince his arrival here, had ſeveral Conferences with the Duke of *Mantua*. The Senate continue to put their Frontier Places in a poſture of Defence, and have ſent to *Verona* 400 Horſe lately come from *Dalmatia*. Three Men of War are arrived from the *Morea* with 500 Soldiers, and three more are expected with Soldiers from thence. The new Levies for the Service of this State are carried on. Letters from *Rome* ſay, the Pope ſeems to be in a great Perplexity what to do concerning the Inveſtiture of *Naples* and *Sicily*, which is demanded of him by the Emperor on one ſide, and by the King of *Spain* on the other.

Warſaw, Febr. 9. The King of *Poland* intends to begin his Journey to *Lithuania* in 5 or 6 days, and he has given Orders for 4 *Saxon* Regiments to march thither from *Courland*, the Prince of *Sapieha* having promiſed to quarter them on his particular Eſtate, and to provide Subſiſtence for them.

Vienna, Febr. 12. The Imperial Forces deſigned for *Italy* are in motion towards the Country of *Tirol*, where great Magazines of Proviſions and Ammunition are provided; And ſeveral Imperial Regiments of Horſe and Foot are likewiſe marching through the Elector of *Bavaria*'s Territories towards the *Rhine*. 'Tis ſaid, a Treaty is concluded with the Elector Palatine for 8000 Men, for which the Emperor is to give him 50000 Dollars a Month. And other Treaties are negociating